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CASE #: OI-HQ-2019-ADM-0101

CROSS REFERENCE

TITLE (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) GS-15, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) et al.

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Washington, DC	

**VIOLATIONS:** 18 U.S.C § 641 – Public money, property or records

**ALLEGATION:** On July 8, 2019, the Washington Field Office (WFO), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), received an anonymous complaint via the hotline (2019-0293) reporting an alleged abuse of government funds and violation of policy by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB). According to the information contained in the anonymous hotline complaint, the CSB, specifically, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) authorized payments for internet services at the private residence (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**FINDINGS:** An interview with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) revealed that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) decided to pay for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residential internet service because (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) needed to have access to reliable internet services while teleworking. On July 18, 2019, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) via e-mail message that the CSB “will no longer pay” for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residential internet services. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is no longer an employee of the CSB. This matter was declined by the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the District of Columbia.

**DISPOSITION:** No further investigative action is warranted. This investigation is hereby closed.

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